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1. IF PRESSED EMBASSY MAY WISH TO DRAW ON THE FOLLOWING
IN RESPONDING TO QUESTIONS ON THIS SUBJECT:

Q. DOES US EMBASSY PARTICIPATION IN THE KATYN DEDICATION
CEREMONY MEAN THAT THE USG SUPPORTS THE POSITION THAT THE
SOVIETS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS ATROCITY?

A. THE US GOVERNMENT FEELS THAT FURTHER INVESTIGATION OF
THE KATYN FOREST MASSACRE WOULD BE NECESSARY IN ORDER TO
CONCLUSIVELY ESTABLISH RESPONSIBILITY. WE ARE PARTICIPA-
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TING IN THE DEDICATION OF THIS MONUMENT AS A MARK OF HOMAG

TO THE VICTIMS OF THE MASSACRE AND A TOKEN OF RESPECT TO
THOSE WHO HAVE ERECTED THE MONUMENT TO THEM.

Q. DOES THE FACT THAT THE DATE 1940 IS INSCRIBED ON THE
MONUMENT MEAN THAT THE USG AGREES THAT THESE ATROCITIES
OCCURRED AT THIS TIME?

A. (DRAW ON PREVIOUS ANSWER). ROBINSON

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